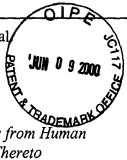


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REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for filing a response to the Office Action mailed on December 7, 2000 in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$435.00 payable to the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the extension fee. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448.

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